

CLAIMS AMENDMENTS

1-9 (Canceled)

10 (New). A method for forming wide paint film parts, which comprises:

providing apparatus for forming wide paint film parts,

having a frame; and, attached to the frame, at least two paint film stock grasping members, which generally oppose one another, which can grasp deformable paint film stock, at least one of which can be moved apart from the other while the stock is grasped;

providing a deformable paint film stock;

grasping the stock on generally opposing sides by at least two paint film stock grasping members; and

moving, while the stock is so grasped, the at least one of the two paint film stock grasping members apart from the other so as to draw or stretch the stock.

11 (New). The method of claim 10, wherein heat is applied to the stock to facilitate stretching.

12 (New). The method of claim 10, wherein the stock is stretched to at least about 125% of at least one of its original dimensions before stretching.

13 (New). Apparatus for forming wide paint film parts, comprising a frame; and, attached to the frame, at least three paint film stock grasping members, at least two of which generally oppose one another and can grasp deformable paint film stock, at least one of the at least two paint film stock grasping members that generally oppose one another can be moved apart from

the other while the stock is grasped, and the remaining paint film stock grasping member can grasp the stock in a direction oblique from that which the at least two paint film stock grasping members can draw or stretch the stock.

14 (New). The apparatus of claim 13, wherein the frame has lateral support members in a rectangular or square arrangement, and the grasping members include orthogonal, oblique and corner types.

15 (New). The apparatus of claim 13, which is electrically controlled and/or pneumatically actuated.

16 (New). An article of manufacture comprising a drawn or stretched paint film stock part precursor or a formed wide paint film stock part.

17 (New). The article of claim 16, which is said precursor.

18 (New). The article of claim 16, which is said part.

19 (New). The article of claim 18, which is a tonneau cover for a pickup truck.